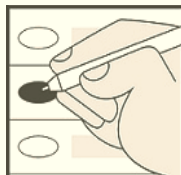




OFFICIAL ABSENTEE / PROVISIONAL / EMERGENCY BALLOT

Pickens County, Georgia
Precinct: 116-YellowCreek

Statewide Special and Municipal General Election - November 04, 2025



To Vote:

1. Use Black or Blue Ink to mark the ballot.
2. Completely fill in the empty oval to the left of the candidate name or choice in all races you wish to vote.
3. If voting for a Write-In candidate, completely fill in the oval to the left of the Write-In selection, then write the name of the Write-In candidate in the space provided.

Warning

- Do NOT use red ink or felt tip pen to mark ballot.
- Do NOT circle, underline or mark through choices.
- Do NOT use check marks or X to mark ballot.
- Do NOT mark more choices per race than allowed.
- Do NOT sign, cut, tear or damage the ballot.

If you make a mistake or change your mind on a selection:

- A. Do not attempt to mark through the selection or attempt to erase. Write **"Spoiled"** across **the ballot AND across the return envelope**.
- B. Mail or return the spoiled ballot and envelope to your county board of registrars; a new official absentee ballot will be mailed to you.

If you decide to vote in-person: Surrender the ballot to the poll manager at an early voting site within your county or the precinct to which you are assigned. You will then be permitted to vote a regular ballot.

"I understand that the offer or acceptance of money or any other object of value to vote for any particular candidate, list of candidates, issue, or list of issues included in this election constitutes an act of voter fraud and is a felony under Georgia law." [O.C.G.A. 21-2-284(e), 21-2-285(h) and 21-2-383(a)]

Statewide Special Election

For Public Service Commission - District 2

For Term Ending December 31, 2030
(Vote for One)

☐ **Tim Echols**
(Incumbent) Republican

☐ **Alicia M. Johnson**
Democrat

☐

Write-in

For Public Service Commission - District 3

For Term Ending December 31, 2026
(Vote for One)

☐ **Fitz Johnson**
(Incumbent) Republican

☐ **Peter Hubbard**
Democrat

☐

Write-in

Special Election Pickens County

Senior Tax Exemption (Vote for One)

House Bill 841 Act No. 342

Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from Pickens County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of \$40,000 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 62 years of age or older and whose income does not exceed \$40,000.

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

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**Special Election
Pickens County**

SPLOST

(Vote for One)

"Shall a special 1 percent sales and use tax be reimposed in the special district of Pickens County for a period of five (5) years and for the raising of an estimated amount of \$63,000,000 for the purpose of funding: (1) the following level one county-wide capital outlay project: Pickens County Tax Commissioner operations and administration facilities, equipment, furnishings and improvements at a cost of \$3,000,000 (the "Level-One Project"; (2) the following capital outlay projects to be owned and/or operated by Pickens County: (a) public safety operations & training facilities, equipment, furnishings and infrastructure at an estimated cost of \$15,000,000; (b) public safety facilities, vehicles, equipment and improvements at an estimated cost of \$7,200,000; (c) law enforcement facilities, vehicles, equipment and improvements at an estimated cost of \$6,000,000; (d) park & recreation facilities, vehicles, equipment and improvements at an estimated cost of \$13,668,000; (e) water & sewer facilities, vehicles, equipment and infrastructure at an estimated cost of \$3,000,000; (f) general government facilities, vehicles, equipment and improvements at an estimated cost of \$600,000; and (g) transportation facilities, vehicles, equipment and improvements at an estimated cost of \$6,000,000 (the "County Projects"); (3) the following capital outlay projects to be owned and/or operated by the City of Jasper: (a) road, streets, sidewalks and bridge projects; (b) water and sewer facilities; (c) public safety facilities, vehicles, and equipment for fire, EMS, police, and 911; and (d) parks and recreation projects and facilities, all at an estimated cost of \$7,380,000; (4) the following capital outlay projects to be owned and/or operated by the City of Nelson: (a) storm water projects and facilities; (b) road, streets, sidewalks and bridge projects; (c) parks and recreation projects and facilities; and (d) City of Nelson City Hall renovation and repair, all at an estimated cost of \$990,000; and (5) the following capital outlay projects to be owned or operated or both by the Town of Talking Rock: (a) road, streets, sidewalks and bridge projects; (b) water and sewer facilities; and (c) parks and recreation projects and facilities, all at an estimated cost of \$162,000? If imposition of the tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Pickens County in the principal amount of \$33,000,000 in whole or in part to fund all or a portion of the Level-One Project or the County Projects, capitalized interest on the debt (if any) and the costs of issuing the debt.

☐ Yes

☐ No

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